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	Pass. Radial	Pass. All Other	Light Truck Radial	Light Truck All Other	All Other Truck Radial	All Other Truck	Motor-cycle	Airplane	Farm Equip.	Pass. Tubes	Truck & Bus Tubes	Tire NSPF Tubes	Farm Tubes
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% Change Month													
% Change Month 87 vs. 86	14.1	4.4	-19.2	28.0	12.0	-27.7	53.7	-33.3	10.9	-23.6	-32.6	7.6	-34.6
% Change Cumulative	14.1	4.4	-19.2	28.0	12.0	-27.7	53.7	-33.3	10.9	-23.6	-32.6	7.6	-34.6

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MONTHLY TIRE REPORT

February 1987

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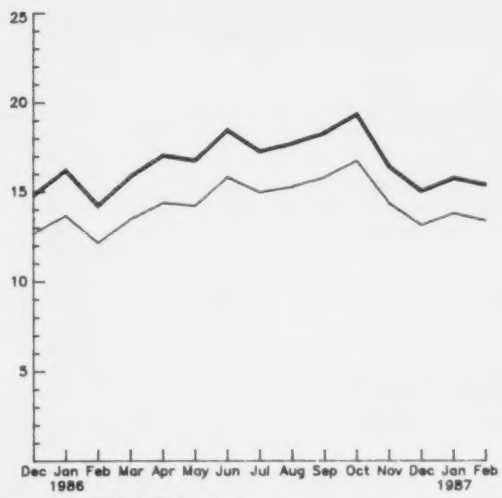

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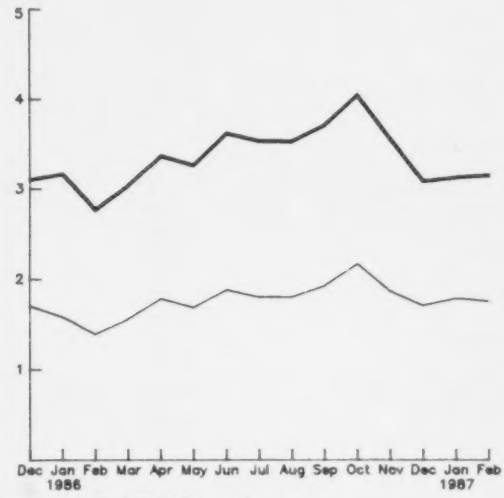

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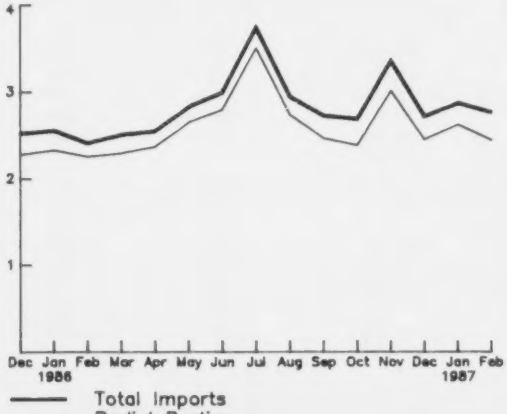

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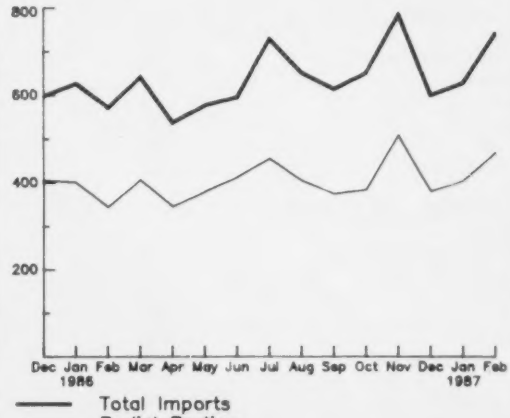

Figures in Thousands of Units

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RMA MONTHLY TIRE & TUBE SHIPMENTS & PRODUCTION REPORT
(FIGURES IN THOUSANDS OF UNITS)

ISSUED: April 28, 1987

PASSENGER TIRES	February 1987	February 1986	% CHANGE	YTD 1987	YTD 1986	% CHANGE
Shipments						
Original Equipment	4,889	4,754	+2.84	9,727	9,754	-0.28
Radial	4,138	3,979	+4.00	8,219	8,157	+0.76
Replacement	9,966	9,100	+9.52	20,500	19,996	+2.52
Radial	8,791	7,902	+11.25	18,158	17,168	+5.77
Export	498	349	+42.69	867	689	+25.83
Radial	423	261	+62.07	819	503	+62.82
Total	15,353	14,203	+8.10	31,094	30,439	+2.15
Radial	13,352	12,142	+9.97	27,196	25,828	+5.30
Production	13,896	13,253	+4.85	27,836	26,675	+4.35
Radial	12,047	11,122	+8.32	24,121	22,447	+7.46
Ending Inventory	31,026	34,639	-10.43	-	-	-
Radial	27,221	29,249	-6.93	-	-	-
TRUCK & BUS TIRES						
Shipments						
Original Equipment	604	569	+6.15	1,247	1,171	+6.49
Radial	428	375	+14.13	881	763	+15.47
Replacement	2,385	2,068	+15.33	4,772	4,538	+5.16
Radial	1,208	941	+28.37	2,450	2,075	+18.07
Export	159	126	+26.19	280	223	+25.56
Radial	112	75	+49.33	198	132	+50.00
Total	3,148	2,763	+13.93	6,299	5,932	+6.19
Radial	1,748	1,391	+25.66	3,529	2,970	+18.82
Production	2,697	2,713	-0.59	5,636	5,597	+0.70
Radial	1,418	1,275	+11.22	4,033	2,615	+54.23
Ending Inventory	7,315	8,810	-16.97	-	-	-
Radial	4,225	4,508	-6.28	-	-	-
MOBILE HOME						
Shipments						
Original Equipment	33	49	-32.65	67	109	-38.53
Replacement	3	1	+200.00	9	2	+350.00
Export	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	36	50	-28.00	76	111	-31.53
Production	37	42	-11.90	79	113	-30.09
Ending Inventory	78	154	-49.35	-	-	-
TRACTOR IMPLEMENT						
Shipments						
Original Equipment	46	46	+0.00	87	96	-9.37
Replacement	223	193	+15.54	425	424	+0.24
Export	18	20	-10.00	36	39	-7.69
Total	287	259	+10.81	548	559	-1.97
Production	246	240	+2.50	499	545	-8.44
Ending Inventory	706	793	-10.97	-	-	-
INDUSTRIAL & UTILITY						
Shipments						
Original Equipment	715	450	+58.89	1,451	1,047	+38.59
Replacement	175	170	+2.94	389	361	+7.76
Export	15	15	+0.00	32	36	-11.11
Total	905	635	+42.52	1,872	1,444	+29.64
Production	768	655	+17.25	1,493	1,406	+6.19
Ending Inventory	1,998	2,029	-1.53	-	-	-
INNER TUBES*						
Total Shipments						
Passenger & Motorcycle	557	525	+6.10	1,090	1,163	-6.28
Truck & Bus	1,158	1,120	+3.39	2,366	2,380	-0.59
Tractor-Implement	194	170	+14.12	368	377	-2.39
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% Change Month	-7.0	29.6	37.7	116.1	8.4	-9.5	-9.6	200.0	25.0	38.2	-2.1	25.9	141.4
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